Psalms 5 Family Worship Notes: Jesus as a human prayed to God

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Verses 1-6:

Jesus Christ according to His human nature prayed to His Father in heaven. There were difficult times for Jesus Christ. Did the Jewish leaders accept Him? No. These leaders attempted to kill Jesus Christ many times through the misuse of the Bible. The leaders misunderstood God's intent from the thirty-nine books of the Old Testament. They enforced teachings that God never said for the sake of following God. Christ is their God who walked among them. Jesus Christ being one has two natures of being fully God and fully human. The Father listened to the prayers of Jesus Christ for help.

God is not evil. There is no sin or the ability to tempt us to sin in God because God is good. This good and holy God acts from His pure nature to assist His servants perfectly at the right time. The Father in heaven assisted Jesus Christ. Jesus was tempted by Satan, hungry at the start of His public ministry, under constant threat of death, left alone by His students, and betrayed by one student that led Him to the cross. The Father was there for the servant Jesus Christ because Christ needed help as a sinless human. Are Christians any different? No. God is there for His people by listening to their prayers. Humans who are in Jesus Christ through salvation are Christians. Salvation brings God's mercy because God will seek and save many humans out of His mercy. The Father listens to Christ therefore humans in Christ will have their prayers listened too and answered.

What about humans who stay in their rebellion against God? Adam imputes as to give sin to his family. This imputing of sin leads all humans to commit many sins from birth to death. There is no one who is good besides God. The prideful and boastful will not be able to stand in front of God. God's holy court condemns all humans found outside of Christ. The justice of God will send all humans to conscious hell without end. This eternal prison will be a place of great pain and torment. Humans follow what they want for a time until God's patience ends. Jesus Christ steps into God's holy court to provide mercy for many humans because He takes their place.

Verses 7-12:

God's mercy is on His servants. Jesus Christ had the Father's mercy and kindness. Humans found in Jesus Christ have the Father extending mercy. Christians come to meet God in worship. God is honoured through worship from a pure soul and following how

God requires to be worshipped. A pure soul comes from Jesus Christ providing mercy in salvation to many humans. The Bible provides instruction on how to worship. Christians give God honour and respect from following the Bible through salvation.

Jesus Christ prayed before His death to follow the Father's will. This prayer follows the pattern of how Jesus Christ taught his disciples how to pray in Matthew 6. All Christians in prayer should be seeking for greater purity away from sin. A life repenting that turns to the light of God seeks what is right. The Bible is there to explain what is right and wrong. The prayers of Christians should be asking regularly for God to help make the Bible more clear. This does not mean running to other external sources outside of the Bible. The Bible uses human language to express God's thoughts. God is able to make His words clear through the Holy Spirit. Human language with the Holy Spirit will reveal God's thoughts. The Bible is there through the Holy Spirit to instruct what holiness and purity are. Christians have the ability to pray for greater holiness and purity because of the words of the Bible and the Holy Spirit instructing.

Humans still in their sin speak lies, deception, and death. There may be true statements that are twisted and darkened by sin. Their rebellion shows why God's mercy and justice exist. Sin needs God's mercy or God to deal with sin because rebellion needs to be dealt with. Rebellion against God needs to be stopped and dealt with because it will multiply. Remember the global flood in Genesis six through nine. God will be merciful to those who rest and trust in Jesus Christ for mercy. Either God's justice crushes sin or Jesus Christ takes the just consequences of sin for His people. God's people have mercy that is not merited in any way. This means God seeks His people out to cause them to rest in Jesus Christ for salvation. God's people turn to Jesus Christ because God opens the heart to do so. Christians have God's mercy and protection only because God is merciful. God's mercy through salvation is shelter for Christians. Salvation leads to many spiritual and physical helps. Amen!